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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 14, 2001 (Paper No. 6).

REMARKS

Restriction to one of the following groups of inventions is required under 35 USC §121:

Group I (claims 1-11 and 13-24) drawn to a method for recovering refractile particles containing a heterologous polypeptide wherein bacterial cells are transformed with one expression vector containing the nucleic acid encoding the phage lysozyme and the nucleic acid encoding a heterologous polypeptide, classified in class 435, subclass 69.1;

Group II (claims 11 and 12) drawn to a method for recovering refractile particles containing a heterologous polypeptide wherein bacterial cells are transformed with two vectors respectively containing the nucleic acid encoding the phage lysozyme and the nucleic acid encoding a heterologous polypeptide, classified in class 435, subclass 69.1; and

Group III (claim 25), drawn to a method for recovering refractile particles containing a heterologous polypeptide wherein one or more of the nucleic acids encoding the heterologous polypeptide and the phage lysozyme is integrated into the genome of the bacterial cells, classified in class 435, subclass 69.1.